

WHO SHOT THIS YOUNG ATHLETE?

Cross Country Runner Sperling Says He Was 'Pinked' by an Air Gun.

HE FINISHED AWAY BACK.

- And the Crowd of Spectators
Put Little Faith in His
Anecdote.

James McCann, of the Pastime Athletic Club, finished first in the weekly cross-country run over the Jerome course yesterday afternoon. His time for the distance of seven and one-half miles, was 33 minutes. Eugene Estoppey, another member of the P. A. C. was second; A. Monteverde, New West Side A. C., landed third, and H. Sperling, Alliance A. C., came in fourth.

The course was from the Jerome House One Hundred and Seventy-seventh street and Jerome avenue, through the woods to Washington Bridge and over the bridge to Fort George, where the turn was made for home. The men came back by practically the same route.

Although a large crowd of hill and dale enthusiasts were present, very few of them undertook the run. They excused themselves on the ground of not having recovered from the festivities of Christmas.

H. Sperling, who finished some distance behind the leaders, told a weird story to the effect that he had been shot at by a man with an air gun, and was "pinked" by some hard substance in the small of his back. The crowd put little faith in the tale.

Eugene "Enthusiastic" Estoppey led the pack. He is the manager of the Big open

handicap-cross-country run of the Pastime A. C., to be held in March, and is investigating the land above the Harlem for the purpose of selecting the best course for the route. Estoppey is well satisfied with the race taken yesterday, and it will probably be selected for the big event, for which an entry of two hundred is anticipated.

A run over the same course, to which all athletes are invited, will take place next Sunday.

CHESS BY COLLEGE MEN.

Pairings for the Annual Tournament Between Harvard, Yale, Columbia and Princeton.

Harvard, Yale, Columbia and Princeton chess players will commence their seventh annual tournament for the Intercollegiate trophy to-day at the Columbia Grammar School, East Fifty-first street, near Madison avenue, New York. The hours of play are from 2 to 6 and from 8 to 10 o'clock. The schedule of pairing of the players is

the work is as follows:

Monday—Board 1—Falk, Columbia, vs. Arenberg, Harvard. Board 2—Cook, Yale, vs. Princeton. Board 3—Meyer, Columbia, vs. Weston, Princeton. Board 4—Webb, Yale, vs. Southard, Harvard.

Tuesday—Board 1—Falk, Columbia, vs. Cook, Yale. Board 2—Princeton, vs. Arenberg, Harvard. Board 3—Meyer, Columbia, vs. Southard, Harvard. Board 4—Webb, Yale, vs. Weston, Princeton.

Wednesday—Board 1—Falk, Columbia, vs. Elston, Princeton. Board 2—Cook, Yale, vs. Arenberg, Princeton. Board 3—Meyer, Columbia, vs. Weston, Yale. Board 4—Weston, Princeton, vs. Southard, Harvard.

Board 1—Southard, Harvard, vs. Weston, Princeton.

Columbia, Board 2—Arenberg, Harvard vs. Meyer, Columbia.
Columbia, Board 3—Weston, Princeton, vs. Cook, Yale.
Board 4—Ely, Princeton, vs. Webb, Yale.
Friday—Board 1—Webb, Yale, vs. Falk, Columbia.
Board 2—Arenberg, Harvard, vs. Weston, Princeton.
Board 3—Cook, Yale, vs. Meyer, Columbia.
Board 4—Southard, Harvard, vs. Ely, Princeton.
Saturday—Board 1—Weston, Princeton, vs. Falk, Columbia.
Board 2—Arenberg, Harvard vs. Webb, Yale.
Board 3—Southard, Harvard, vs. Cook, Yale.
Board 4—Ely, Princeton, vs. Meyer, Columbia.

STRONG TEAMS THESE
Yale and the Brooklyn Hockey Club
Teams Will Meet To-night at the
Clermont Avenue Rink.

Yale will meet the Brooklyn Skating Club in a hockey game at the Clermont Avenue rink this evening. It will be the first game of the season for the Brooklyn team, which is considered to have an excellent chance of winning the next championship of the American Hockey League. The Yale men have already met the St. Nicholas and New York Athletic Club teams this season, and

The sons of "Old Eli" are rapidly improving in their team work at hockey, and the game this evening will probably be fast and exciting. The "Blue" scored in the St. Nicholas match, but failed to do so in the game with the N. Y. A. C. The Brooklynites have sworn to prevent Yale scoring on them this evening, as they wish to equal the work of the Mercury Foot sev-

Yale.	Position.	Brooklyn Skating Club.
Smith.....	Goal	Hallen
Deland.....	Point	McKen
Stoddard, Capt.	Coverpoint	Devan

Easton.....	Forward.....	Kenne
Walworth.....	Forward Capt.....	W
Burnett.....	Forward.....	Drake
Palmer.....	Forward.....	Murp

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